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Pair Charged with Murder, Kidnapping

The stepsister of a woman found dead in August near Gorman and the stepsister's boyfriend have been charged with her murder and kidnapping her young children, the Los Angeles County District Attorney's Office announced.

Britney Sue Humphrey (dob 7/29/94) and Joshua Aaron Robertson (dob 8/18/89) were charged in case BA449493.

Robertson is due to be arraigned sometime today in Department 30 at the Foltz Criminal Justice Center. Prosecutors will ask that bail be set at \$2 million. Humphrey is awaiting extradition following her arrest in Colorado.

Humphrey and Robertson are charged with killing Humphrey's stepsister, Kimberly Harvill, on or about Aug. 14. Harvill's body was discovered in a remote area of Gorman on Aug. 14. The complaint alleges Robertson personally and intentionally discharged a firearm, a handgun. He also is charged with one count of possession of a firearm by a felon with two prior convictions.

The couple also are charged with kidnapping the murder victim's three young children, ages 5, 3 and 2. The children were found safe in Albuquerque, N.M., on Aug. 24. Humphrey and Robertson were arrested a day later in Colorado.

Deputy District Attorneys Deanne Castorena and Tal Kahana with the Child Abduction Unit are prosecuting the case.

If convicted, each defendant faces up to life in state prison.

The case remains under investigation by the Los Angeles County Sheriff's Department.

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